

August 10, 2007

Minutes of the reconvened meeting of the City Council of the City of Clinton, Illinois in session Friday, Aug. 10, 2007 at 12:30 p.m. Mayor Ed Wollet, presiding. On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Wise and Milton were present.

The purpose of the reconvened meeting is for the consideration of the Re-zoning of Lots 10 & 11 on Delmar Dr. Pinehurst Development. At the Council meeting of Aug. 6, 2007 a motion sent the recommendation by the Planning Commission back for review of their Finding of Facts. The original recommendation was to deny the re-zoning from R-2 residential to R-4 multi-family.

The Planning Commission met Thursday evening taking some time to review and talk about the Finding of Facts from their July 12th meeting. They proceeded to review points #3, #4, & #5. Tim Followell put together their thoughts in an informal way before the minutes can be drafted and approved. The Planning Commission did not vote again since one of their members was not present and he was a voting member at the original meeting.

Debating the many points surrounding this re-zoning request by Pinehurst Development brought various responses from the Mayor and Commissioners with them all leaning toward overriding the recommendation of the Planning Commission to allow the re-zoning of Lot 10 & 11 on Delmar Dr. Not wishing to revisit the audiotape, Councilmen commented that this might hold up growth of this area if the re-zoning is not handled properly.

Mayor Wollet stated that after listening to the audio tape that some discriminatory statements could very well have lead to the vote coming out the way it did. Discrimination is not a legal act and by this Mayor, will not be tolerated. With that said, the City business is the most important business at hand and no Commission should stand in the way of progress.

City Attorney Steve Myers stated that the Council has an Ordinance before them that is drafted in the positive. Yes vote is for the re-zoning – no against.

Written motion was made by Commissioner Edmunds and seconded by Commissioner Milton to adopt Ordinance #1093, an Ordinance Amending Zoning Code (Lots 10 & 11 on Delmar Dr. Pinehurst Development). On roll call Commissioner Edmunds, Hickman, Wise, Milton and Mayor Wollet voted “Yes.”

With no further business to come before the Council, motion was made by Commissioner Edmunds and seconded by Commissioner Milton to adjourn. On roll call Commissioners Edmunds, Hickman, Wise, Milton and Mayor Wollet voted “Yes.”

Respectfully Submitted,

Rozella D. Wickenhauser
City Clerk